

# MURRAY COUNTY CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

## Indoor Air Quality Notice 2018-2019

The Murray County Central School District is proud to be taking a leadership role in providing a safe, comfortable and productive environment for our students and employees so that we achieve our core mission - educating students in a safe and healthy environment. Our school will follow the EPA guidance to improve our indoor air quality by preventing as many IAQ problems that may arise. Good air quality requires an ongoing commitment by everyone in our school because each of us daily makes decisions and performs activities that affect the quality of the air we breathe.

Murray County Central School employees, students and parents can obtain checklists or self-help information so they can properly evaluate their child's home or other out of school situation by contacting the school. Employees and parents can also obtain information about school facility construction, maintenance and housekeeping practices, chemicals used, mold and HVAC related information, chemical producing academic subjects, and pesticide and herbicide applications to determine the extent of which school activities contribute to a child's symptoms by contacting the school.

In order to minimize exposure to animal allergens the following guidelines are to be followed:

- Parents must consult the classroom teacher prior to bringing the animal/pet in the classroom to determine any student allergies or sensitivities. Perhaps a predetermined outside area can be arranged instead of bringing the animal/pet inside the building
- Keep animals in cages or properly restrain the animal/pet; do not let any animal/pet roam
- If it is determined by the teacher that it is safe for everyone to have an animal/pet brought in to the classroom, keep animal/pet away from ventilation system vents to avoid circulating allergens throughout the room or building
- Use alternatives to animals if possible

The Murray County Central School District Indoor Air Quality contact person is the School Nurse. If there are any questions regarding the school's IAQ Program, please feel free to call at 507-836-6183, extension 4120.

## 2018-2019 School Year General Pesticide Notice for Parents or Guardians

Dear Parent or Guardian:

A Minnesota state law went into effect in year 2000 that requires schools to inform parents and guardians if they apply certain pesticides on school property.

Specifically, this law requires schools that apply these pesticides to maintain an estimated schedule of pesticide applications and to make the schedule available to parents and guardians for review or copying at each school office.

State law also requires that you be told that the long-term health effects on children from the application of such pesticides or the class of chemicals to which they belong may not be fully understood.

If you would like to be notified prior to pesticide applications made on days other than those specified in the estimated schedule please contact Roger Wildfeuer, Head Custodian, Murray County Central Schools at 2420 28<sup>th</sup> Street, Slayton, MN 56172, 507-836-6183.